

CHAPTER 298

(House Bill 1180)

AN ACT concerning

Unemployment Insurance – ~~Maximum Benefit~~ Schedule of Benefits

FOR the purpose of ~~increasing the maximum weekly unemployment insurance benefit amount by a specified amount over a certain period of time~~ altering the schedule of benefits of weekly unemployment insurance benefits so as to increase the amount of the weekly benefit amount up to a certain maximum weekly benefit amount, based on certain high quarter wages; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to unemployment insurance benefits.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Labor and Employment
Section 8–803
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1999 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Labor and Employment

8–803.

(a) (1) To determine the weekly benefit amount to assign to a claimant in the schedule of benefits in subsection (b) of this section, the line in the schedule of benefits shall be located in which the high quarter wages in column (A) correspond to wages that the claimant was paid for covered employment in the calendar quarter of the claimant's base period in which those wages were highest.

(2) ~~(1) [The] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE~~ claimant shall be assigned:

~~{(i)} 1~~ the weekly benefit amount in column (B) of the schedule for that line; or

~~{(ii)} 2~~ if the claimant is not eligible under § 8–802 of this subtitle for that weekly benefit amount but was paid wages to qualify in 1 of the next 6